

**COUNCIL OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
NOTICE OF PUBLIC ROUNDTABLE**
1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20004

**CHAIRMAN PHIL MENDELSON
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
ANNOUNCES A PUBLIC ROUNDTABLE**

on

In Re: Bill 24-286, “Jackson Reed High School Designation Act of 2021”

Thursday, November 4, 2021 at 2:30 p.m.

**Live via Zoom Video Conference Broadcast
Chairman’s Website (www.ChairmanMendelson.com/live)**

Council Chairman Phil Mendelson announces the scheduling of a public roundtable of the Committee of the Whole on **In Re: Bill 24-286, “Jackson Reed High School Designation Act of 2021.”** The hearing will be held on **Thursday, November 4, 2021, at 2:30 p.m.** via Zoom Video Conference Broadcast.

On October 6, 2021, the Committee of the Whole held a hearing Bill 24-339, the John Lewis Elementary School Designation Act of 2021” and Bill 24-286, originally the “August Wilson High School Designation Act of 2021” to hear from stakeholders on changing the names of two DCPS schools – currently West Elementary School and Woodrow Wilson High School respectfully. At that hearing, the Committee heard testimony in opposition to August Wilson High School and in support of Edna Jackson High School, Vincent Reed High School, or a combination of the two names to reflect the first Black teacher and first Black Principal of Wilson High School. The Committee circulated the proposal of changing the name of Wilson High School to Jackson Reed High School, and the hearing will be an opportunity to hear from the public on the proposed name.

Those who wish to testify must register at <http://www.ChairmanMendelson.com/testify> by 5:00 p.m. on November 2, 2021. **Testimony is limited to three minutes.** Witnesses who anticipate needing spoken language interpretation, or require sign language interpretation, are requested to inform the Committee office of the need as soon as possible but no later than five business days before the proceeding. We will make every effort to fulfill timely requests, although alternatives may be offered. Requests received in less than five business days may not be fulfilled. If you have additional questions, please email cow@dccouncil.us or contact Destiny Riley, Committee Assistant, at (202) 724-8196.

The hearing will be conducted virtually on the Internet utilizing Zoom video conference technology. Testimony should be submitted in writing to cow@dccouncil.us in advance of the hearing. Written testimony will be posted publicly to <http://www.chairmanmendelson.com/testimony>. If you are unable to testify at the hearing, written statements are encouraged and will be made a part of the official record. Statements for the record should be submitted to cow@dccouncil.us or left by voicemail by calling (202) 430-6948 (up to 3 minutes which will be transcribed). The record will close at 5:00pm on Monday, November 15, 2021.